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SUBJECT: SSOD GENERAL DEBATE, JUNE 8 AM: STATEMENT
BY JORDAN

1. SUMMARY: JORDANIAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
NUSEIBEH REITERATED THE FEARS SMALL AND DEVELOPING
NATIONS HAVE ABOUT THE INDISCRIMINATENESS AND TOTALITY
OF THE POTENTIAL DESTRUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. HE
OFFERED JORDAN'S SUPPORT FOR SEVERAL OF THE PROPOSALS
THAT HAVE BEEN ADUMBRATED REGARDING DISARMAMENT.
NUSEIBEH ENDED HIS ADDRESS WITH A REPLY TO ISRAELI
PERMREP HERZOG, DENYING THAT ARAB NATIONS HAD MORE
WEAPONS THAN NATO AND WOULD SOON BE MORE HEAVILY ARMED
THAN THE WARSAW PACT. END SUMMARY.

2. JORDANIAN PERMREP NUSEIBEH DESCRIBED IN DETAIL HOW
THE ARMS RACE, PARTICULARLY THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE IS A
THREAT NOT ONLY TO THE SECURITY OF THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS
STATES, BUT CAN POTENTIALLY DESTROY ALL OF HUMANITY. HE
EMPHASIZED THE ILLOGIC OF BEING ABLE TO DESTROY MANKIND
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SEVERAL TIMES OVER. NUSEIBEH CALLED FOR THE SSOD TO AIM
AT BRINGING TO THE SURFACE THE DEEP-SEATED AND LATENT
CONCERN ABOUT THE ARMS RACE THAT AFFLICTS ALL MEN, AND
TO CREATE MOMENTUM FOR A WORLDWIDE MOVEMENT AT THE GRASS
ROOTS LEVEL FAVORING ACTION TOWARD DISARMAMENT. HE
TERMED THIS MORE REALISTIC THAN STRIVING AT THE SSOD TO
ACHIEVE GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT OR EVEN INTERIM

SHORT-TERM MEASURES. NUSEIBEH DECRIED THE BALANCE OF TERROR AS ILLOGICAL AND PROPOSED A FREEZE ON UNILATERAL TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES IN MILITARY-ORIENTED SCIENCE, THROUGH BINDING CONVENTIONS. HE ALSO REFERRED TO EARLIER PROPOSALS AT SSOD ABOUT MONITORING DEVICES, SATELLITE SURVEILLANCE, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY PANEL AND INSTITUTES TO ASSIST THE SYG ON DISARMAMENT ISSUES "CONSTRUCTIVE" BUT "NEGATIVE INSURANCE AND PALLIATIVES." HE AGREED WITH THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE THAT THE WORLD IS COMPOSED OF TWO POLARIZED ZONES. A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE SUPERPOWERS--ONE ZONE--WOULD DEVASTATE MANKIND. THE OTHER ZONE IS THE REST OF THE WORLD. DISARMAMENT IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MAJOR POWERS; THERE IS LITTLE REWARD IN DISARMING THE ALREADY RELATIVELY WEAK SMALL AND MEDIUM NATIONS. NUSEIBEH SUGGESTED THAT THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL COULD MEET AT THE LEVEL OF SUMMITRY IN A BROAD ATTEMPT TO ENTER RULE OF LAW AND RESPECT FOR JUSTICE AS THE BENCHMARK OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. THE SUPERPOWERS MUST AGREE ON A COMPLETE NUCLEAR TEST BAN, RECIPROCAL ANNUAL REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS (BY 5-10 PERCENT), A FREEZE ON MILITARY-ORIENTED SCIENTIFIC BREAKTHROUGHS, RESPECT FOR OTHER REGIONS' DEMANDS FOR A CESSATION OF OVERT AND COVERT INTERFERENCE THAT DISTURBS REGIONAL PEACE. THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD PLAY THE ROLE OF ARBITRATOR IN ANY INTERNECINE AND REGIONAL CONFLICTS AND ACT IMPARTIALLY.

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3. TURNING TO ACTUAL CASES, NUSEIBEH OBSERVED THAT WORLD POWERS HAVE SOLVED NEITHER THE PALESTINE NOR THE SOUTH AFRICA PROBLEMS. THROUGH PERMISSIVENESS NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES NOW EXTEND TO SOUTH AFRICA AND ISRAEL THANKS TO THE TRANSFER OF UP-TO-DATE TECHNOLOGY, FISSIONABLE MATERIAL AND A CONSTANT FLOW OF EXPERTISE. HE BLAIMED THESE TWO COUNTRIES FOR HOLDING THEIR ENTIRE REGIONS TO RANSOM AND FOR FLOUTING INTERNATIONAL LAW. ISRAEL, HE NOTED, IS THE ONLY MIDDLE EASTERN STATE THAT DOES NOT SUPPORT A MIDDLE EAST NUCLEAR FREE ZONE. IN ADDITION TO ISRAELI COOPERATION, THE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL MUST PROVIDE ADVANCE, CATEGORICAL GUARANTEES TO STATES THAT HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO A NUCLEAR FREE MIDDLE EAST AND OTHER ZONES, AGAINST NUCLEAR AGGRESSIONS. THERE SHOULD ALSO BE A SUPER POWER GUARANTEE THAT THEY WILL NOT TOLERATE THIRD PARTIES' IGNITING A REGIONAL NUCLEAR RACE IN SUCH A ZONE.

4. NUSEIBEH CONCLUDED WITH A RETORT TO ISRAELI AMBASSADOR HERZOG'S ASSERTION (JUNE 1) THAT ARAB ARMAMENTS ALREADY EXCEED NATO'S AND WILL SOON OVERTAKE THE WARSAW PACT. HE

FACETIOUSLY OFFERED ON BEHALF OF ISRAEL'S NEIGHBORS TO
MAKE A SOLEMN OFFER TO NATO AND THE WARSAW PACT OF A NON-
AGGRESSION PACT. IN CONTRAST HE NOTED ISRAEL'S ARMS
INDUSTRY, APART FROM ITS NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES, HAS BECOME A
MAJOR ISRAELI EXPORT ITEM. ISRAEL HAS USED F-15S,
CLUSTER BOMBS, NAPALM AND OTHER MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS
AGAINST HER NEIGHBORS. YOUNG

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